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Board Recognitions







Honoring Our Veterans

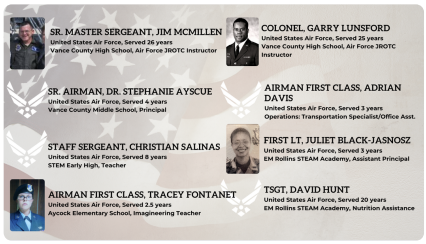
With November 11 being Veterans Day, the Board of Education recognized employees who have served in the military. Veterans Day is a celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of their country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the greater good. Dr. Cindy Bennett recognized Board Member, Mr. Edward Wilson for his service. Each veteran received a pin, honoring their service to our country. Dr. Jennifer Carraway expressed how much our district appreciates each of their service to our country and all that they bring to our district.



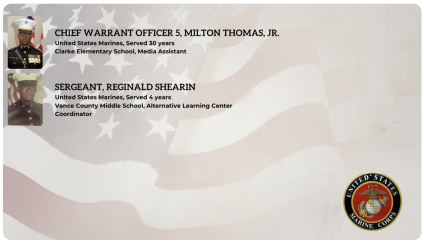
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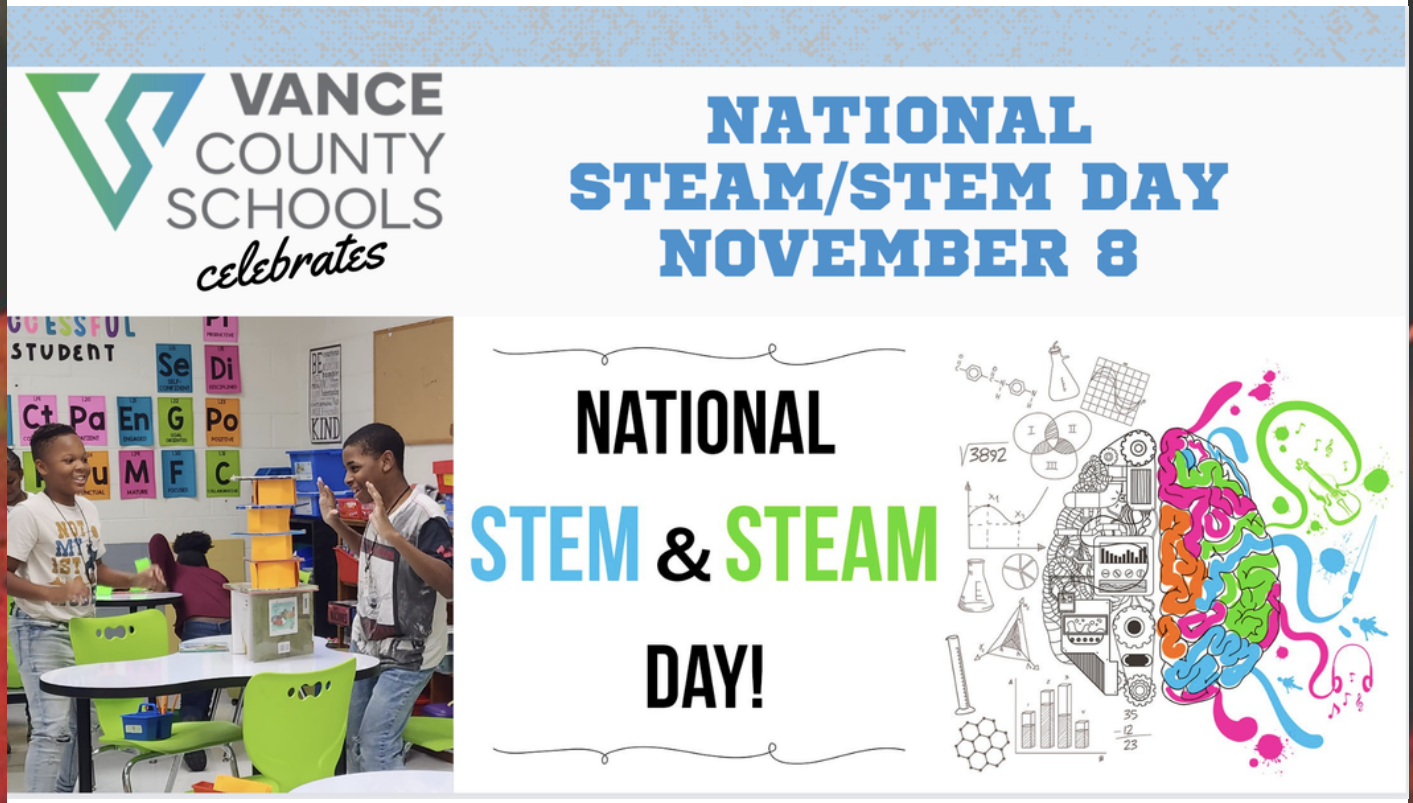


Marines



National STEM & STEAM Day

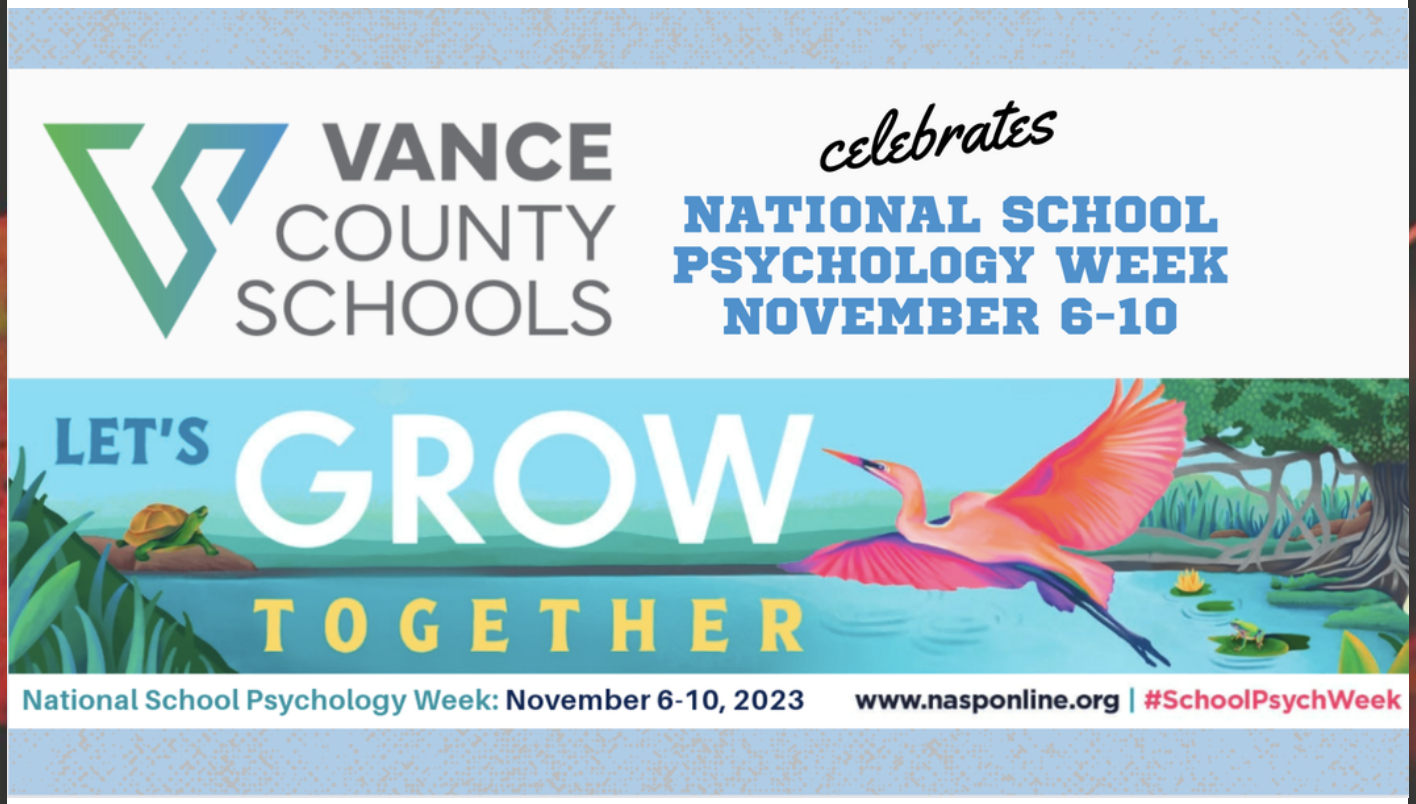
The Board of Education recognized National STEM/STEAM Day, celebrated yearly to encourage children to explore science, technology, art, engineering, and math careers. STEM Early High, EM Rollins STEAM Academy, and staff from the Center for Innovation were honored and celebrated for their work around STEM and STEAM. Dr. Destiney Ross-Putney shared how our district has celebrated the work around STEM/STEAM. Classrooms are innovation labs and open doors to a wide range of opportunities. Sharing about the STEM/STEAM work taking place in their respective areas were Kristin Jeffreys, CFI Coordinator, Dr. Carnetta Thomas, EM Rollins STEAM Academy Principal, and Edward Ortega, STEM Early High School Principal.





National School Psychologist Week

The Board of Education recognized National School Psychology Week. On behalf of the district, Mr. Rey Horner shared gratitude for Dr. Patricia Maggio, our VCS psychologist, as well as two contract psychologists Dr. David Caron and Dr. Selena Waite, for their support for the well-being of our students. As advocates for mental health, school psychologists serve as champions of inclusivity, acceptance, and understanding.





Finance Award

The Board of Education honored the Finance Department for its annual comprehensive financial report. They received a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, which is a significant accomplishment. This is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting. Accepting the award were Beth Hayes and John Suther of the VCS Finance Department.

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The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.



Superintendent's Report

School Improvement Update

Superintendent Dr. Cindy Bennett shared that she has met for quarterly reviews with each of the principals. Information shared is being reviewed closely and the district is looking to increase support in identified areas.

Fall Sports Update

Superintendent Dr. Cindy. Bennett shared that the fall sports seasons went well. Honors and recognitions will be showcased at a later date, as all of the recognitions have yet to be determined.

Board Business

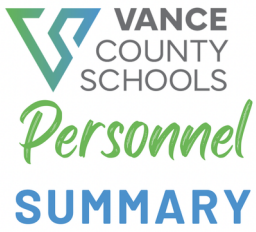


Action Items by the Board of Education

The Board of Education voted and approved the following:

- *District Improvement Plan*
- *IXL Math contract using Title 1 funding for one year*
- *Visually Impaired contract (Allied Instructional Services) for one year*
- *Personnel Recommendations as amended*
- *The Parents' Bill of Rights Policy updates as recommended by the North Carolina School Board Association, which include the following policies:*
  - *1310/4002*

- *3210*
- *3540*
- *4335*
- *4720*
- *6120*
- *7300*



Personnel

The Board of Education approved 18 employment recommendations. We would like to formally welcome the following: Michelle Wells (ASC). Mahalia Harrison (ASC), Marinda Baker (Carver), Terry White (VCHS), Alissa Evans (ASC), Marlene Mouzon (Carver/V3A), Rosemary Bullock (Carver), Ann Tonette Alvaran (EMR), Ashley Clark (EMR), Carolina Carraway (NH), Jasmine Rogers (NH), Dalla Ashe (STEM), Jerry Best (VCHS), Jesse Lee Griffin (VCHS), Michele Duncan (VCHS), Sheneika Campbell (VCMS), Candy Maghanoy (ZV) and Chad Lassiter (ZV).

The Board accepted resignations for 10, retirements for 1, temporary employment for 6, 18 outside contracted services, 6 VCS contracted services, additional assignment for 1, and transfer/promotions for 5, which includes Michael Terry to Assistant Principal at Vance County High School



Student Transfer Requests

The Vance County Board of Education approved 18 requests to transfer into Vance County Schools and 5 requests to transfer out, totaling 23 transfer requests.



Overnight / Out of State Field Trip Approvals

None.

Next BOE Meeting will be December 11, 2023 at 6pm.

All meetings take place at 6pm at VCS Administrative Services Center.

2024 Meeting Schedule TBD

About Us

Vance County Schools, located in Henderson, NC serves students Pre-K through 12th grade, as well as Early College 5th year students. There are 16 schools served in our district.

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